

NEWS OF THE DAY.

The Washington baseball club will, it is thought, join the Atlantic Association.

Wm. Loughbridge, inventor of the air brake bearing his name, died in Philadelphia yesterday.

In many parts of Switzerland villagers are rushing from the valleys to higher ground to avoid avalanches.

The Mississippi near Greenville is still beyond control and the water is washing away fences and buildings.

A rich old bachelor called "Lucky" Morgan, of Dodeville, Mo., was murdered recently and robbed and his body thrown into a well.

Charles H. Mallory, founder of the steamship firm of C. H. Mallory & Co., died of heart failure in Brooklyn yesterday at the age of seventy-six.

A party of masked men at Plainfield, N. J., last night, gave a man who was implicated in a scandal with a married woman notice to leave the town in a hurry, which he did.

Captain Haddaway Moore, who was supposed to have been murdered, and for whose murder James Hastings and Orlando Johnson were arrested, turned up in Cambridge, Md., yesterday.

In the Senate yesterday Mr. Blair renewed his motion to reconsider the vote of Thursday by which the educational bill was rejected, and Mr. Ingalls moved to lay that motion on the table. No action was taken.

Mr. Andrew Carnegie, the Pennsylvania iron founder, is fifty-five years of age. He had less than \$100 twenty-five years ago, but since that time he has made \$56,000,000, of which he now holds about \$30,000,000 in his own right.

A dispatch from London says: "At the sale of the late Abraham Hayward's famous collection of autographs, &c., yesterday, the original draft, with autographic corrections, of General Lee's last address to the Confederate army was knocked down for \$65."

The Rev. Duncan MacGregor, lately the pastor of the Carroll Park Methodist church, Brooklyn, was received into the Baptist fold last night at the Hanson Place Baptist Church, which is now pastorless and to which, it is rumored, Dr. MacGregor is soon to be called.

Dr. Bamberger, leader of the German Liberals, said that Emperor William's idea is not merely to reign, but to govern. It is said that the Emperor declines to accept the resignations of the Prussian Ministers, and that the rumors of a revision of the ambassadorial appointments are premature.

Robert Moseley, colored, was hanged yesterday afternoon near Huntsville, Ala., for an attempted assault on Miss Ellen Austin. He met his death within a few feet of a pit in which he had lain in wait for the lady, and was buried therein. About 500 men were in the mob, among them fifty colored men who approved the hanging.

Gen. Geo. H. Crook, U. S. A., whose death in Chicago was mentioned in yesterday's GAZETTE, married a Miss Daily, of western Maryland, who will be remembered by many ex-Confederates, whom she succeeded while they languished in federal prisons during the war. Gen. Crook's remains will be interred at Frostburg, Md., the home of his wife's family.

The committee of ministers of the Evangelical denomination, at Reading, Pa., yesterday found Bishop J. J. Eber, of Chicago, guilty of the charges of falsehood, slander and creating dissensions in the church. They recommend that Bishop Eber be suspended as a bishop and as a minister of the Evangelical denomination until the general conference in 1891. Bishops Dubs, of Cleveland, and Bowman, of Allentown, have already been deposed.

A dispatch from Ashland, Wis., says: The suspicion grows daily that the Germania Mine fire was of incendiary origin, and that the mysterious strangers who entered the mine half an hour before the alarm was given, and who have not since been found, started it. The fire has so far subsided that a searching party yesterday found the bodies of Sullivan, Banks and Waller. They were clasped tightly in each other's arms. Banks had stuffed his handkerchief in his mouth to keep out the fumes of the fire.

Miss Kate A. Donovan, whose body was picked up in the river, at Baltimore, on Thursday, had called upon the physician in charge of the University of Maryland and offered her body to him after death for the benefit of science. He refused to listen to her, and she then besought him to kill her then and there, and to make an autopsy of her body for the advantage of all future womankind. Getting no sympathy from the doctor, she left him and went direct to the river and drowned herself.

Congressman Mills, of Texas, says the minority of the ways and means committee have not yet had an opportunity to see an official copy of the McKinley tariff bill, and the only information they have on the subject is what they have gleaned from the newspapers. It is thought in Washington that if the republican tariff bill is forced through Congress there will be heavy democratic gains in New England, especially in Massachusetts, as the bill discriminates against the Eastern manufacturer.

Death of Gen Francis H. Smith. Gen. Francis H. Smith, for fifty years the superintendent of the Virginia Military Institute, and its founder, died, at Lexington yesterday evening, aged 78 years, from a stroke of paralysis, which prostrated him early Saturday morning. He was born in Norfolk, Va., and in 1820 was appointed a cadet to the West Point Military Academy. Upon his graduation he was appointed lieutenant of artillery. His next appointment was assistant professor of ethics at the Military Academy at West Point, and in July 1839 was appointed by the Governor of Virginia, superintendent of the Virginia Military Institute. He organized that widely known military school and held the position until the first day of January, 1890, when he resigned, receiving the appointment of emeritus professor of mathematics, moral and political philosophy for life. In 1835 Gen. Smith married Sarah Henderson, daughter of Gen. Thomas Henderson, United States army. Mrs. Smith died about seven years ago.

CONFEDERATE VETERANS.—The Confederate Veterans of Prince William county have organized a camp to be known as Stonewall Camp, with the following officers: Capt. J. E. Herrell, commander; R. H. Hooe, J. A. Brawner, lieutenant commanders; G. W. Nutt, adjutant; W. W. Kinchloe, quartermaster; E. Nelson, treasurer; Westwood Hutchison, chaplain; B. S. Pridmore, vidette; Dr. J. S. Powell, surgeon; G. G. Galleher, Mark Thomas and Dr. P. Bowen were appointed an executive committee.

Court of Appeals Yesterday. Loans against the Commonwealth. Writ of error and supersedeas refused to a judgment rendered by the Corporation Court of the city of Lynchburg on the 23d of December, 1889.

Lee against Lee and als. Appeal with supersedeas allowed to decree pronounced by the Circuit Court of Warwick county on the 29th of March, 1889.

Goswin for, &c., against Whitehead. Argued and submitted.

VIRGINIA NEWS.

W. E. Lake, a Warren county farmer, sold this week one hundred lambs at \$4.50 per head.

Mr. John E. Green, an old and highly respected citizen of Leesburg, died on Thursday in the 89th year of his age.

Mrs. Almedia Cooper, wife of Mr. Richard Cooper, died at her home near Warrenton on Monday in the 71st year of her age.

The tobacco trade of Richmond has endorsed the scheme to secure the Jefferson Davis mansion as a Confederate memorial hall.

Henry Curtis, colored, tried in the County Court of Norfolk county for killing S. L. Webster, was yesterday convicted of murder in the first degree.

Swift & Co., of Chicago, who have for some time past been selling their meat in Norfolk, in consequence of the inspection bill passed by the Legislature have decided to give up their business there.

Judge Bond decided three coupon cases in Lynchburg yesterday against the county and city treasurers, involving large amounts, and all of them adverse to coupon complainants on the ground of defect in pleading.

One of the directors of the Loudoun Marble Quarry says his company have refused an offer of \$100,000 for their property; also, that the bidders propose, if they purchased, to build a railroad direct from the quarry to Washington.

"Col. Alto," near Lexington, the handsome old residence built and occupied by Gov. James McDowell and more recently owned and occupied by Judge J. N. Lee, of New Orleans, was sold this week to Capt. R. B. Moorman, of Roanoke, for \$15,000.

In this, the sixth, Virginia district the tax payments in February were unusually large, amounting to 2,241,668 pounds of tobacco, 709,150 cigars, 2,242,000 cigarettes and 63,900 pounds of snuff, as compared with 1,407,265 pounds of tobacco, 636,250 cigars, 3,682,500 cigarettes and 37,810 pounds of snuff in February 1889.

United States Judge Paul, of the western district, holding court at Lynchburg, was annoyed yesterday at the number and trifling character of the cases brought into his court, and said emphatically: "I will continue to remove commissioners in this district until I can get men who have some common sense and decency about them to properly conduct the business."

"BELVOIR."—Sir William Fairfax came to the Colony of Virginia in 1734. Purchasing land near Mount Vernon, he built "Belvoir," one of the finest houses of the day. His only son, the Rev. Bryan Fairfax, was rector of Fairfax Parish, and inherited the title. He married Elizabeth Cary; his oldest daughter married Henry Herbert, and they were the immediate ancestors of the Herberts of Alexandria and Baltimore. His oldest son, Thomas, married Miss Herbert, and had issue of four sons, Albert, Henry, Orlando and K. ginald. Dr. John Contee Fairfax, the present Lord, is a son of Albert. The "Northern Neck" of Virginia was owned by Lord Fairfax of "Greenway Court," who died a bachelor. Now of this splendid domain, embracing thirteen counties, in which are included the counties of Fauquier and Loudoun, not an acre is owned by a descendant of the family bearing the name. Sic transit gloria mundi.—X in Warrenton Index.

VIRGINIANS AT FIRES.—At 1 p. m. on Thursday a porter employed in the New York Hotel, saw smoke issuing from a room on the fourth floor, occupied by Oliver Barrett of Arlington, Va. He broke open the door and found the room near the fireplace in a blaze. Porters and guests tried to put out the fire, but it was not extinguished until the firemen came to their assistance. The damage amounted to about \$1,000. A burning coal falling from the grate was the probable cause of the fire.

A slight fire in the New York Hotel yesterday evening damaged the effects of Colonel and Mrs. Lake, of Baltimore. Col. L. C. Scheffey, of Richmond, discovered the fire, and by his promptness in giving the alarm promptly saved the hotel from serious damage.

[COMMUNICATED.]

The Proposed Shoe Factory. We now have an opportunity before us which certainly every good citizen should assist to make a success—that is, to start manufacturing in our city. A gentleman comes before us who after years of travel and experience with manufacturing goods is convinced that this location is superb for manufacturing in general, and as a starter suggests the establishment of a shoe factory, which, if started, will surely induce other industries to locate here and place old Alexandria (where she should be) on the list with manufacturing cities. Now this is not the suggestion of a stranger, a man we have never seen or heard of, but one of our own citizens, a gentleman whose integrity stands above reproach, and who is willing to back his proposition with \$5,000, i. e., in order to start this enterprise he is willing to take stock to the amount above mentioned which (if he was a stranger) would certainly assure us of his sincerity in this matter. A great many of our people have been so absurd as to throw a damper on this movement by entertaining (and suggesting to others) the idea that Mr. Hill (the gentleman in question) is anxious to start this factory for the sole purpose of creating a job for himself. Suppose that is one of his objects, has any one the right to ask and expect the position of manager of the factory (a position which must be filled by some person?) Who has more at stake? I certainly think that unless a man was pretty well assured that he could run this concern successfully it would be an expensive way of creating a position for himself, by putting in \$5,000. Now let every person who has the interests of the city at heart ask themselves the question, Are we enterprising enough to start in establishing something in our city that will give employment to our boys and girls, enhance the value of our property and put money in circulation, which will be a benefit to every one first directly certainly indirectly? Gentlemen we should certainly look upon this more as a lever to our success or in the event that we let it fall through as an anchor that will hold us down tighter than ever; for certainly no one would come before the people of our town again in the near future with such an object in view.

ENTERPRISE.

Nobody knows what to do with Peck's Bad Boy. He is so lawless and mischievous. Some have thought he should be sent to sea. We don't know about that, but if he's subject to colds, we'd recommend Dr. Bull's Cough Syrup.

LIST OF LETTERS. The following is a list of the letters remaining in the Alexandria, Va., postoffice March 22. Persons calling for letters will please say they are advertised.

Advertised letters, not called for within two weeks, will be sent to the dead letter office.

Baker, Miss Victoria Lee, Carrie McPherson, S. J. Miller, John B. Brown, Miss Susy Rogers, Mrs. W. G. Dickerson, Miss Carrie Thompson, Gals. Ives, W. A. Wisner, J. P. W. W. HERBERT, P. M.

DIED. On the 19th of March, 1890, FRANCIS A. DICKINS, Jr., aged 22, from the residence of his sister, Mrs. Fugate, 919 E. Marshall street, Richmond, Va.—[Washington and Fairfax county papers please copy.]



ASSOCIATED PRESS DISPATCHES.

Proceedings of Congress. WASHINGTON, D. C., Mar. 22. SENATE.

After a House bill for a public building at Seranton had been reported the Senate took up the calendar, the first bill being one appropriating \$3,000,000 for a public building at San Diego, Cal.

Mr. Ingalls inquired as to the other appropriations made for public buildings in California at the present session.

Mr. Stanford referred the Senator from Kansas to the report of the committee.

Mr. Ingalls said that the answer was rather vague and indefinite. The bill gave rise to a long debate.

HOUSE. Mr. Lawler, of Illinois, presented the remonstrance of the Chicago wholesale shoe and leather association against the imposition of duty on hides.

Mr. Morgan, of Mississippi, presented resolutions of the Farmers' Exchange of Memphis opposing a tax on compound lard.

Mr. Outhwaite, of Ohio, presented the remonstrance of citizens of Columbus, Ohio, against material change in the immigration and naturalization laws.

A bill was passed repealing the timber culture law.

At 2 o'clock public business was suspended and the House proceeded to the consideration of resolutions relative to the death of E. J. Gay, late a member from Louisiana.

Foreign News. ST. PETERSBURG, Mar. 22.—The Grashdan in says Prince Bismarck's resignation inaugurates an era of fatalism, new ideas and unexpected events, which will compel every body to be on the alert.

NAPLES, Mar. 22.—The Duke of Manchester who died here yesterday evening, will be succeeded by Lord Mandeville, who married Consuelo, daughter of Don Antonio Yznaga del Valle, of New York.

BERLIN, Mar. 22.—A report is in circulation here to-day that Prince Bismarck has declined the dukedom of Lauenburg, and the appointments of Colonel General of Cavalry, and Field Marshal General offered to him by the Emperor. The report causes a great sensation. It is also reported that Count Herbert Bismarck is pressing the Emperor to accept his resignation of the office of imperial foreign minister.

PARIS, Mar. 22.—In an interview to-day Count Bendetti, who was French ambassador at Berlin at the outbreak of the Franco-Prussian war, said that in his opinion there was no cause for alarm in the resignation of Prince Bismarck. The only danger to the peace of Europe, he declared, would come from blundering by Signor Crispi, the Italian prime minister, or the possible bankruptcy of Italy.

DUNDEE, Mar. 22.—The coasting steamer Ethel Gwendoline foundered off Rattray Head, county of Aberdeen, yesterday. Seven of her crew were drowned.

LONDON, Mar. 22.—The British steamer Virent, from Sulina Romania, for London, has been abandoned at sea, with her shaft broken. The captain and 8 of her crew have landed at Ferrol. The mate and 14 other men belonging to the steamer were lost.

ST. PETERSBURG, Mar. 22.—The Government has abandoned the prosecution of the woman Tehebrikova, who was charged with writing and sending to the Czar a letter threatening that unless he modified his reactionary policy he would meet the fate of Peter III, Paul I, and Alexander II.

Skeletons Found. PIERRE, S. D., March 22.—While workmen were excavating near this city yesterday they unearthed ten human skeletons. Six of the skulls were of white men, one a white woman's and the others of Indians. The woman's head had been crushed with a hatchet, and an arrow head was found in the breastbone of an Indian skeleton. Nothing was found to give a clue as to who they were except a silver medallion, dated 1847, having the name of Henry Mackenzie on the reverse side.

WINNIPEG, Man., March 22.—A few days ago a party of woodmen stumbled over a pile of bones on the south side of Lake of the Woods. The bones consisted of a human skeleton and the skeletons of seven wolves. A revolver and seven empty cartridge shells were lying near the former, and it is supposed that the man was attacked by a pack of wolves and had made a desperate fight, killing seven of their number before being overcome by the ferocious beasts.

The McAuliffe Carroll Fight. SAN FRANCISCO, Mar. 22.—No pugilistic event ever held in this city created more interest than the contest between Jack McAuliffe and Jimmy Carroll at the California Athletic Club last night. The purse offered by the club amounted to \$3,000. In addition to this sum each principal had posted \$5,000 on the fight, making the total sum \$13,000—the loser to get \$500 and the winner \$12,500. The fighting was of a desperate character and up to the 47th round seemed to be in Carroll's favor, but when the round was about over, Mac seemed to revive a little. The men continued to pound away at each other's heads, though Mac's blows were harder, and he finally caught Carroll on the mouth and sent him down on the floor with a thump, where he lay insensible stretched out on his back. When the ten seconds were completed there was still no movement of his body, and McAuliffe was declared victor. The battle was a scientific contest from the start.

Incendiaries Caught. COLORADO SPRINGS, Mar. 22.—There are no new developments but the excitement is running high and the discovery of the firebugs will result in their execution without due process of law. Late Thursday night and after the burning of Mayor Sturbridge's residence and the American Hotel,

the residence of R. J. Reese, the Grand Avenue Hotel and the Palace Theatre were burned. The total loss is about \$250,000. Two suspicious characters have been arrested, charged with being the incendiaries.

Kilrain. NEW ORLEANS, Mar. 22.—Jake Kilrain arrived at Purvis, Miss., yesterday but is now at Kilbuck where he will remain till Saturday. He will then be taken to Columbia, there to serve out his sentence of two months in the county jail. The sheriff is undecided as to whether or not he has the right to hire Kilrain out. The Attorney General thinks he has, while the district Attorney has issued a contrary opinion.

An Impostor. ROCKFORD, Ill., Mar. 22.—Schweitzer preached his first sermon here yesterday. He reiterated his claims of being the Savior, and insisted that he had power to raise the dead and work other miracles. He claimed that a two-year-old boy had died a short time ago and that he had restored the boy to life and health by the laying on of hands.

Cherokee Boomers. LEAVENWORTH, Ark., Mar. 22.—General Merritt, commanding the Department of the Missouri, has just made public an announcement that will cause consternation among the boomers who entered the Cherokee strip. The General orders the forfeiture of the homestead rights of all who enter the strip before it is formally opened to settlement.

Baseball. NEW YORK, Mar. 22.—The meeting of the National League baseball managers ended this morning. The Indianapolis club has been dropped and its members will play New York uniforms next season. The Washingtons also retire, which reduces the league to eight clubs.

Muscoe, the negro who killed Officer Sall in Charlottesville in 1888, has been sent to Lynchburg for safe keeping.

'If humor, with, and honesty could save from the ill fate is heir to, what a good price they'd bring in the market. With twenty-five cents will buy a good panacea—Salvation Oil, a certain cure.

Remarkable Rescue. Mrs. Michael Curtin, Plainfield, Ill., makes a statement that she caught cold, which was her lungs; she was treated for a month by her family physician, but grew worse. He told her she was a hopeless victim of consumption and that no medicine could cure her. Her druggist suggested Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption; she bought a bottle and to her delight found herself benefited from the first dose. She continued its use and after taking ten bottles, found herself sound and well, now does her own housework and is as well as she ever was. Free trial bottles of this Great Discovery at E. S. Leadbeater & Bro.'s drug store (wholesale agents). Large bottles 50c and \$1.

A test of 40 years demonstrated that repeated fact that Stonebraker's Indian Gum Syrup cures Cholera Infantum and all bowel troubles in adults or children. 50c and 50 cents.

THAT HACKING COUGH can be so quickly cured by Shiloh's Cure. We guarantee it. Leadbeater & Bro., Agents.

Sight Restored. Mr. A. K. Hawkes: Dear Sir—About one year ago my sight began to fail, with the usual symptoms, viz: after reading for a short time my eyes became confused and there seemed to be a dimness before them, also accompanied with pains in the eyeballs. Being satisfied that glasses were imperatively demanded, applied to you for them, and I am happy to say, with wonderful results, for after having worn your crystalized lenses for a short time my eyes regained their accustomed strength, and I now read the finest print for hours with perfect ease without glasses.

P. S. SPILLER, Clerk in Land Office, Alexandria Va.

For sale by L. Stabler & Co., druggists, Alexandria Va.

WILL YOU SUFFER WITH Dyspepsia and Liver Complaint? Shiloh's Vitalizer is guaranteed to cure you. E. S. Leadbeater & Bro., Agents.

Ladies, clean your kid gloves with Mahler's Glove Cleaner. For sale only at Leadbeater's drug store.

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Consumption Cured. THE JUDGE OF HANOVER COUNTY SPEAKS.

Tim. Howard suffered for three years with lung and throat troubles, and last spring was thought by his neighbors to be dying. I heard of his condition and gave him A. B. C. Tonic. Its effect was magical. In a very short time he was able to leave his bed, and now regards himself a well man. Others in this vicinity have taken the "Tonic" with pronounced benefit.

Very respectfully, S. C. REDD, Beaver Dam Depot, Hanover Co., Va.

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FRENCH PEAS, very fine, for sale by J. C. MILBURN, Feb 5

CANVASED HAMS, 11c, for sale by J. C. MILBURN, Feb 10

EXTRA FINE G. P. TEA, new crop, just received by [Feb 24] J. C. MILBURN

GOOD COOKING BUTTER at 15c per lb at J. C. MILBURN'S Jan 10

CAPE COD CRANBERRIES for sale by J. C. MILBURN, Dec 26

BOSTON BAKED BEANS just received by GEO. MCBURNEY & SON, Jan 23

FRENCH NECK MERRINO SHIRTS extra fine, At A. B. SLAYMAKER'S, Sep 26

CHOICE ORANGES and LEMONS received by day by [Feb 24] J. C. MILBURN

SHAD ROE AT RETAIL, 10c per lb, at MCBURNEY'S, Feb 13



ALEXANDRIA, VA.

SATURDAY EVENING, MARCH 22.

It was stated in the GAZETTE's Washington correspondence of yesterday that Congressman Mansour, of Missouri, a democrat, proposes that all further democratic opposition to the illegal and outrageous ousting of democratic members of the U. S. House of Representatives shall cease. The idea is a good one and should be adopted. The republican majority in the House neither know nor want to know anything about contested election cases; they haven't even enough interest in them to remain in their seats to hear a statement thereof. All they know of a contested case when it is before them is that the national republican committee has ordered a republican to contest the seat of a democrat, and that that order has been obeyed. That is all they care to know about it, and though their side of the House may be empty during the argument of the case, at the close thereof they will all return to their seats and vote for the republican, utterly irrespective of facts or of law or of justice. The fate of the democratic incumbent is sealed as soon as the republican elections committee reports against him, and that being so, all efforts to save him must necessarily be vain, and the time and labor spent therein be a useless waste.

THE DEFEAT of the Blair bill was not only in the line of the proper idea of States rights, but it afforded a glaring instance of the insincerity, hypocrisy and deception upon which the republican party stands. As long as the democrats had the House of Representatives to defeat the bill referred to and a President to veto it should it pass, the republican Senate always passed it; but with a House and President of its own political complexion, and both afraid to oppose the action of a republican Senate, that Senate, a Senate that has attempted to make States' rights synonymous with treason and rebellion, defeats the bill upon the ground that to pass it would be subversive of States rights! Verily, a second Daniel came to judgment.

NOTWITHSTANDING the action of the Maryland legislature in leasing the Chesapeake and Ohio Canal to a railroad company that will use the upper part of it and let the lower part go to destruction, the friends of the canal are still hopeful that the receivers appointed by the court will report in favor of its maintenance as a water way. If they shall do so it is understood there will be no trouble about raising all the money that may be required for the desired object.

THE REPUBLICANS in Congress are by no means as one now in respect of their proposed tariff bill. Some threaten to kick on account of the sugar schedule, some on that of the wool and coal, and some on that of the metal. But for all this, when the time comes for them to vote, unlike the democrats, every one of them will be in his seat and every one will vote at his party's call.

THE DEFEAT of the Blair bill was in perfect accord with the platform of the last national democratic convention; but in just as complete discord with that of the last national republican convention. All but eight democrats stuck by the former, while seventeen of the republicans more than enough to accomplish the desired object, "went back" on the latter.

SENATOR BLAIR was again sat upon heavily by his own party yesterday. He moved to reconsider the vote by which the Blair bill was defeated, but Mr. Ingalls squelched him by moving to lay his motion on the table. Some people believe that the republican Senators are trying to make Mr. Blair put his threat to leave the republican party into execution.

FROM WASHINGTON. Special Correspondence of the ALEXS. GAZETTE.

WASHINGTON, D. C., March 22, 1890. Senator Blair doesn't know he is defeated and is still crying for more troops. He says Senators Sherman and Payne assured him only twelve hours before the vote on his bill was taken that they would support it. He can account for their change upon no other ground than the fact that finding the majority would be the other way, they flopped to be on the strong side. He says with their votes taken from the opponents of the bill and added to its supporters, there would have been a tie and the bill have been passed, as Vice President Morton had told him in case of a tie, he would vote for it. Mr. Blair says he is not done with it yet, and that he will prepare a new bill, so formulated as to avoid the objections urged by republican Senators against the old one, and that he hopes to be able to push it through at this session.

The republican members of the House committee on the election of President and Vice President, at a meeting this morning, agreed to report the McCornack bill, which is intended to render null and of no effect the recent redistricting of the States of Ohio and Maryland for congressional representation by the legislatures thereof. It will also provide that the certificates upon which the Clerk of the House of Representatives shall enter the names of members upon the roll of the House shall be issued, not by the Governors of States, but by the local election boards. The bill will be reported, Mr. Lodge, the chairman of the committee, says, on Tuesday next.

Mr. Thomas Nelson Page, the Virginia novelist, was at the Capitol to-day in behalf of the copyright bill.

A subcommittee of the House fisheries committee, consisting of Messrs. Farquhar, Banks and Wise, heard further arguments this morning on the bill to re-enact the law prohibiting fishing in the waters of the District of Columbia. Fish Commissioner McDonald argued in favor of the bill, for the reason that it preserved the only spawning

ground on the Potomac. Congressman Lee, Mr. Clements, Commonwealth's attorney of Alexandria county, and a delegation of citizens of that county, contended that the riparian rights of the Virginians whose lands are washed by the District waters should not be infringed. No definite action was taken, but another meeting will be held next Saturday. Commissioner McDonald says that two States pound fishing is only allowed by the States on the Atlantic coast, Connecticut and Virginia, and that in the former it has destroyed the fisheries, and is doing the same in the latter. He says for years he has been trying to induce the Virginia legislature to prohibit it, but his efforts have been vain.

The republican members of the House ways and means committee are still worrying with the tariff bill which, in an unlucky moment for them, they gave to the press, for ever since it was published, they have been besieged by oral or written protests against some of its provisions. So influential have been the protests of the leather manufacturers of New England and other northern States against the proposed tax on hides, that that tax will probably be removed. A large delegation of canners was before them this morning and remonstrated against the proposed increase of the duty on tin plate. They said with free tin plate they could compete successfully with the whole world.

There is strong talk here about the way in which the Department of Justice is being conducted. It is openly said that Attorney General Miller is personally responsible for the failure to try Dudley for his bribery, for the failure to bring Beecher to justice for smuggling opium, and for the failure to prosecute the parties in this city charged by the civil service commission with a gross infraction of the civil service law.

The House committee on library to-day agreed to report favorably bills for monuments in this city to James Madison, Spencer F. Baird and Christopher Columbus.

The House committee authorized a favorable report on a bill providing for the appointment of a commission on the subject of alcoholic liquor traffic, the members thereof to be appointed by the President and to be paid large salaries.

The report sent from this city to certain northern newspapers that President Harrison has offered General Mahone the Paris consulate is altogether wrong. The President has done nothing of the sort, but some of General Mahone's friends either have tried or will try to induce him to do so; but knowing republicans here say they will not succeed.

The following is the only change that was made to-day in the 4th class postoffices in Virginia: Short Creek, Carroll county, S. W. Myers appointed postmaster, vice J. D. Barry, removed.

In the House to-day General Lee introduced a bill to extend the pension of C. H. Day, of Occoquan, Virginia.

At the meeting of the Senate committee on public buildings to-day favorable reports were ordered upon bills for the erection of public buildings at Washington, D. C. (purchase of a postoffice site corner Pennsylvania avenue and C streets.)

Telegraphic Briefs. In the Flack trial in New York to-day, Wm. L. Flack, son of the sheriff, said his father told him his mother had agreed to a divorce, and in a subsequent conversation his mother told him the same.

A general strike in the building trade at Boston during the season of 1890 seems inevitable.

At noon to-day President Harrison was still gunning for ducks at Benjie's Point, Md.

The new postoffice building in Baltimore was opened with ceremonies to-day.

Ex-M